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PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.

UNITED STATES.

Medical officers detailed for duty at Mexican ports.

The following-named officers have been detailed, under section 2 of the act approved February 15, 1893, for duty in the offices of the United States consuls at Mexican ports, to require of vessels leaving for the United States compliance with the Treasury quarantine regulations and to sign bills of health in conjunction with the United States consuls, namely: Vera Cruz, Assistant Surgeon Goldberger; Tampico, Acting Assistant Surgeon Frick; Progreso, Acting Assistant Surgeon Thompson.

Quarantine treatment of vessels and baggage from Cuba.

The following correspondence is published as indicating the attitude of the Bureau toward the question of treatment of vessels from Habana and other Cuban ports.

There are also included certain telegrams to and from the medical officer of the Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service stationed at Habana:

[Letters.]

NEW ORLEANS, *March 30, 1903.*

DR. WALTER WYMAN,
Surgeon-General U. S. Public Health Service,
Washington, D. C.

DEAR DOCTOR: The Galveston regulations require disinfection at the port of departure of vessels from Cuba coming to Louisiana, Texas, and Alabama, beginning May 1.

Kindly inform me if the United States Public Health Service will perform this disinfection at that port this year as it did last year.

The Cuban health authorities manage cases of yellow fever that are brought there in a manner which the parties to the Galveston conference are not as yet prepared to accept as thoroughly safe; hence the requirement.

Yours, very truly,

EDMOND SOUCHON, M. D.,
President Louisiana State Board of Health.

P. S.—I have as yet received no reply to my letter of March 2, regarding quarantine inspectors along the Mississippi coast.